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Dear Bill:

This is a belated thank you for your phone call on the occasion of my appointment. I had wanted to write earlier to thank you for all you said on that occasion, but I wanted to await the completion of the confirmation and swearing-in processes in order to be "legal."

Thanks to the dramatic and constructive role you played throughout the terrible year of 1975, we now have a chance to move intelligence into the new era you outlined so well all during those trying months. We have new guidelines, as you had requested; we have new oversight arrangements, as you had requested; and we are on the road to defining new and improved security, as you had requested.

In short, you have left a legacy and a road map and we will do the very best we can to emulate the model you constructed with such wisdom and character.

All the best to you. I do hope we can stay in touch. As we move into the future, we would obviously prize your views and counsel.

Faithfully yours,



E. H. Knoche

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